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REMARKS

In the Office Action mailed Feb 9, 2006, the Examiner rejected claims 1-3, 15-17 and 20-22 are rejected under 35 USC Section 102(e) as being anticipated by Beckmann. Claims 4, 18 and 23 were rejected under 35 USC Section 103(a) as being unpatentable over Beckmann in view of Karol. Claims 5, 19 and 24 were rejected under 35 USC Section 103(a) as being unpatentable over Beckmann in view of Shin. Claims 6, 9-10, 12-13 and 25 were rejected under 35 USC Section 103(a) as being unpatentable over Beckmann in view of Barger. Claim 7, 8, 11, 14 and 26 were objected to as being dependent upon a rejected base claim.

Claims 7, 8, 11, 14 and 26 are rewritten in independent form, and the remaining claims depend there from, in order to expedite prosecution of these claims. Applicants do not acquiesce to the Examiner's rejection based on Beckman, and reserve the right to appeal these claims in a separate application.

Accordingly it is respectfully submitted that the claims clearly define the invention and are in condition for allowance. A Notice of Allowance is solicited.

Respectfully Submitted

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